

*Freestone county.*—Benjamin Allen Philpott, Avant Prairie, was born in Washington county, Maryland, September 26, 1811; moved to Morgan county, Alabama, and was educated at the Somerville Academy, in that county; was sheriff, circuit clerk, and Representative in the Legislature of Alabama from Morgan county; and also secretary of the Senate; commenced the practice of law in Morgan county, Alabama, in 1839; moved to Texas in 1841; entered the Confederate army, and was lieutenant-colonel of the Eighth Texas Infantry, Walker's Division, and served about eighteen months; elected to the present House as the Democratic nominee, majority of 444 votes.